

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LEON VALLEY TREE ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting of the Leon Valley Tree Advisory Board (TAB) at 6:00 PM, on Wednesday, February 18, 2015, in the Leon Valley City Hall, at 6400 El Verde Road, Leon Valley, Texas.

## I. Poll for Attendance and Determination of a Quorum.

- Staff Liaison(s): Angela Trejo and Crystal Caldera (Both Present)
- TAB Forester: Mark Kroeze, Alamo Region Urban Forester (Absent)
- Members Present: Irene Baldridge, Thomas Benavides, and Melinda Dawson
- Members Absent: Denise Berger, Lyn Joseph, Mary Key, Diana Sarfin, and Rich Sarfin

## II. Approval of Minutes - October 30, 2014.

- Minutes approved as written.

#### III. Discussion on Participation of the TAB in the Earthwise Living Day event.

- The event is scheduled for March 7, starts at 9:00 AM, and ends at 1:00 PM.
- Crystal will e-mail a time schedule so TAB members can sign-up to work the tree adoption.
  - -- TAB setup will be at 8:00 AM (Angela plans to be there around 7:30 AM).
- CPS Energy donated 200 trees (40 Pecan, 40 Monterrey Oak, 40 Red Oak, 40 Buckeye, and 40 Texas Redbud).
- Two trees will be allowed to be adopted-out to each CPS Energy household.
- Public Works will deliver the trees. The exact location of the tree adoption area is still unknown (it may be next to the Community Center).
- TAB will have 2 Tables and 3 Chairs assigned.
- Leon Valley Staff will provide all materials needed (i.e., tree vouchers, tree brochures, etc.).

#### IV. Discussion on Repurposing of the Wood from the LC-17 Project.

- The following options for repurposing the wood were discussed:
  - -- Dimensional lumber which could then be used by Public Works to build park benches and tables.
  - -- Decorative items for the city buildings with small plaques indicating that the wood used was from the LC-17 Project.
- Considerations discussed:
  - -- The removal of the trees has been delayed and will not start until the Spring of 2016.
  - -- TAB will need to present the options to city council. This can be done during the annual report which Angela and Crystal will schedule for April.
  - -- Green Wood Milling Co. provided a presentation last year (August 20, 2014) describing their products and services. Their costs per hour are \$75.00 for milling and \$55.00 for labor. They can remove trees but would prefer that the County remove them.
  - -- Per Green Wood Milling Co., it would be best to mill the wood as soon as possible because it gets harder the longer it sits making it difficult to mill.
  - -- The city may need to identify an alternative storage site for the wood to be repurposed.

## V. Executive Session in Accordance with the Texas Local Government Code.

- Not required.

# VI. Adjourn

- The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM.
  The next meeting of the TAB is set for Wednesday, March 18, 2015, at 6:00 PM in the Leon Valley City Hall.

Chairperson